

ARKANSAS FARM REPORT

Results from the May Ag Yield Survey - Thank You!



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ARKANSAS HIGHLIGHTS

Winter wheat production in Arkansas as of May 1, 2004 is forecast at 32.1 million bushels, up 13 percent from the 2003 crop of 28.5 million bushels. The average yield is expected to be 51 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel per acre from the previous year. Wheat growers expect to harvest 630,000 acres this year, up 11 percent from last year's 570,000 acres. The final estimate of Arkansas **cotton** production for 2003 totaled 1,804,000 bales, up 8 percent from 2002. Yield averaged a record high 916 pounds of lint per acre, up 45 pounds per acre from the 871 pounds per acre in 2002, and up 39 lbs. per acre from the previous record high yield of 877 lbs per acre set in 1994. Cotton growers harvested 945,000 acres, up 25,000 acres from a year ago. **All hay** stocks on Arkansas farms on May 1, 2004 totaled 600,000 tons, up 2 percent from the May 1, 2003 stocks of 588,000 tons.

U.S. HIGHLIGHTS

Winter wheat production as of May 1, 2004, is forecast at 1.55 billion bushels, down 9 percent from 2003. Yield is forecast at 44.2 bushels per acre, 2.5 bushels less than last year. Grain area totals 35.1 million acres, down 4 percent from last season. **Cotton** production totaled 18.3 million bales in 2003, up 6 percent from the 2002 production. The area planted to all cotton totaled 13.5 million acres, down 3 percent from 2002, and harvested area, at 11.8 million acres, decreased 3 percent. Yields for the U.S. averaged 730 pounds per harvested acre. The U.S. yield for upland cotton is a record high 723 pounds per acre. **Hay** stocks on farms May 1, 2004 totaled 25.9 million tons, up 17 percent from the previous year. This increase was mainly the result of a higher hay production in 2003.

WINTER WHEAT

STATE	HARVESTED ACREAGE		YIELD PER ACRE		PRODUCTION	
	FINAL	FORECAST	FINAL	FORECAST	FINAL	FORECAST
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Bushels</i>		<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	
ARKANSAS	570	630	50.0	51.0	28,500	32,130
Kansas	10,000	9,000	48.0	41.0	480,000	369,000
Missouri	870	950	61.0	55.0	53,070	52,250
Nebraska	1,820	1,850	46.0	39.0	83,720	72,150
Oklahoma	4,600	4,300	39.0	36.0	179,400	154,800
Texas	3,450	3,600	28.0	33.0	96,600	118,800
U.S.	36,541	35,082	46.7	44.2	1,707,069	1,550,395

UPLAND COTTON: ACREAGE AND PRODUCTION

STATE	ACREAGE				LINT YIELD		PRODUCTION IN 480-LB. NET WEIGHT BALES	
	PLANTED		HARVESTED		PER HARVESTED ACRE		NET WEIGHT BALES	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>1,000 Bales</i>	
ARKANSAS	960.0	980.0	920.0	945.0	871	916	1,669.0	1,804.0
California	480.0	550.0	477.0	545.0	1,469	1,317	1,460.0	1,495.0
Louisiana	520.0	525.0	495.0	510.0	717	967	739.0	1,027.0
Mississippi	1,170.0	1,110.0	1,150.0	1,090.0	808	934	1,935.0	2,120.0
Missouri	380.0	400.0	368.0	390.0	796	862	610.0	700.0
Oklahoma	200.0	180.0	180.0	170.0	557	616	209.0	218.0
Tennessee	565.0	560.0	530.0	530.0	741	806	818.0	890.0
Texas	5,600.0	5,600.0	4,500.0	4,350.0	538	478	5,040.0	4,330.0
U.S. UPLAND	13,714.0	13,301.0	12,174.0	11,826.0	652	723	16,530.3	17,822.9
U.S. AMER-PIMA	243.9	178.6	242.6	177.4	1,342	1,170	678.3	432.3
U.S. TOTAL	13,957.9	13,479.6	12,416.6	12,003.4	665	730	17,208.6	18,255.2

COTTONSEED PRODUCTION, 3 YEAR COMPARISONS

STATE	2001	2002	2003
		<i>1,000 Tons</i>	
Alabama	315.0	195.0	327.0
Arizona	261.0	232.4	216.8
ARKANSAS	708.0	627.0	689.0
California	849.0	731.0	680.0
Georgia	764.0	544.0	732.0
Louisiana	380.0	271.0	365.0
Mississippi	877.0	697.0	773.0
Missouri	268.0	218.0	274.0
New Mexico	47.8	35.5	31.6
North Carolina	559.0	272.0	349.0
Oklahoma	80.0	81.0	79.0
South Carolina	137.0	44.0	109.0
Tennessee	351.0	291.0	311.0
Texas	1,724.0	1,855.0	1,616.0
Virginia	67.0	33.0	41.0
UNITED STATES	7,452.2	6,183.9	6,664.6

HAY STOCKS ON FARMS, 2 YEAR COMPARISONS

STATE	DECEMBER 1 2002	MAY 1 2003	DECEMBER 1 2003	MAY 1 2004
			<i>1,000 Tons</i>	
ARKANSAS	2,755	588	2,700	600
Minnesota	4,183	815	3,567	575
Mississippi	1,631	249	1,125	244
Missouri	6,897	1,083	7,188	1,470
Nebraska	3,278	870	5,244	1,596
Oklahoma	5,357	1,190	3,994	1,200
Tennessee	3,318	504	3,830	1,182
Texas	10,460	3,888	9,910	2,849
Wisconsin	3,600	1,100	3,110	920
UNITED STATES	102,978	22,013	110,752	25,865